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GLF MEETING

THE GAYS, LESBIANS, AND FRIENDS OF ISU WILL BEGIN ITS FALL MEETINGS STARTING ON SEPTEMBER 2 AT 8:00PM IN UNIVERSITY SUITE ROOM D OF THE TIREY MEMORIAL UNION BUILDING ON THE ISU CAMPUS. MEETINGS WILL BE WEEKLY (EVERY THURS) SO WE HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE THIS FALL.

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BGLA MEETING

BLOOMINGTON'S GAY/LESBIAN ALLIANCE FIRST GENERAL MEETING OF THE YEAR WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19. ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD AT THE OCTOBER 3 MEETING. ALL ARE WELCOME. CALL THE SWITCHBOARD FOR TIME AND PLACE.

FALL CONFERENCE

ON OCTOBER 1,2, AND 3RD THE ISU GAYS, LESBIANS, AND FRIENDS ARE SPONSORING A STATE GAY/LESBIAN CONFERENCE CALLED GUIDEPOST '82. AT THE CONFERENCE THERE WILL BE SEVERAL GAY ACTIVISTS FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY AS KEYNOTE SPEAKERS INCLUDING TOM REEVES WHO IS HEAD OF THE NORTH AMERICAN MAN/BOY LOVE ASSOCIATION, DAN TSANG OF PHILADELPHIA WHO IS AUTHOR OF MANY GAY NOVELS, GREG DAY OF SAN FRANCISCO WHO IS CANDIDATE FOR SAN FRANCISCO CITY SUPERVISOR AND PRESIDENT OF THE FREEDOM DAY COMMITTEE, AND TERRI WORMAN WHO IS A LESBIAN ACTIVIST AND CO-EDITOR OF TROIS FROM FORT WAYNE, IN.

AN OPEN RECEPTION FOR THE GUEST SPEAKERS WILL BE HELD FRIDAY EVENING FOLLOWING THE 1ST INTERNATIONAL GAY PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION ON SATURDAY IT WILL FEATURE TWO WORKSHOP SESSIONS, THE PRESENTATION OF THE 1ST INDIANA LESBIAN AND GAY MERIT AWARD, AND A SOCIAL DANCE IN THE EVENING. SUNDAY WILL HOST A BRUNCH WITH THE KEYNOTE SPEAKERS. THE COST OF THE BRUNCH WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE REGISTRATION FEE.

SOME OF THE WORKSHOPS PLANNED INCLUDE LEGAL ASPECTS, S & M, TRANSVESTISM, TRANSEXISM, GAY YOUTH, GAYS AND RELIGION, LEGISLATION, MAN/BOY LOVE, GOVERNMENT REPRESSION, GAY PRESS, ORGANIZATION, FEMALE SEXUALITY, MALE INTAMACY, GAY MEN AND FEMINISM, GAY ART, GAY HISTORY, AND PROTECTION.

REGISTRATION FEE WILL BE $5.00. TERRE HAUTE OFFERS NUMEROUS HOTEL AND MOTEL ACCOMODATIONS FOR THOSE WHO NEED ACCOMODATIONS, ALTHOUGH COMMUNITY HOUSING MAY BE AVAILABLE.

INFORMATION LINE

THE GAYS, LESBIANS, AND FRIENDS INFORMATION LINE IS OPEN AGAIN. WE NOW HAVE ANOTHER LINE FINALLY. THE INFORMATION LINE WILL LET GAYS IN THE TERRE HAUTE AREA KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE TERRE HAUTE GAY COMMUNITY, HELP PEOPLE WHO WANT TO COME OUT, HELP GAYS WHO ARE IN A CRISIS, OR FOR THOSE WHO NEED JUST SOMEONE TO TALK TO. THE GLF INFO LINE IS OPEN MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SATURDAY FROM 7 TO 9PM. CALL 232-6311 AND ASK FOR EXTENSION 2355. WE ARE ALSO GETTING A ANSWERING MACHINE WHICH WILL GIVE MORE SERVICE TO THE TERRE HAUTE GAY COMMUNITY.

SOCIALS

THE GAYS, LESBIANS, AND FRIENDS WILL BEGIN IT'S SOCIALS BACK UP ON SEPTEMBER 3. FOR MORE INFO ABOUT THE SOCIALS CALL THE INFO LINE AT 232-6311 EXT. 2355. DURING REGULAR HOURS.

PARENTS OF GAYS

REORGANIZATION OF THE PARENTS AND FRIENDS OF GAYS WILL TAKE PLACE HERE IN TERRE HAUTE ON SEPTEMBER 13 AT 8:00 PM IN UNIVERSITY SUITE ROOM D OF THE TIREY MEMORIAL UNION BUILDING ON THE ISU CAMPUS.

FOR MORE INFO ABOUT THIS GROUP CONTACT THE GAYS, LESBIANS, AND FRIENDS INFORMATION LINE AT 232-6311 AND ASK FOR EXTENSION 2355. HOURS ARE MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND SATURDAY, FROM 7-9PM.

BGLA DANCE

BGLA WILL BEGIN ANOTHER SEASON OF WANTON REVELRY WITH THE "WELCOME TO BLOOMINGTON" DANCE AT THE POPLARS (400 E. SEVENTH IN BLOOMINGTON) ON SUNDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 26, FROM 8 PM TO 1 AM. ADMISSION WILL BE $2.50. CALL SWITCHBOARD FOR MORE INFORMATION.

THEATRE

A READER'S THEATRE PRESENTATION OF THE PLAY "TEA AND SYMPATHY' IS IN REHEARSAL AS THE PREMIER PRODUCTION OF A NEW THEATRE COMPANY PERFORMING WITH TALENT DRAWN FROM INTEGRITY/BLOOMINGTON. "TEA AND SYMPATHY WILL BE PERFORMED AT INTEGRITY/BLOOMINGTON'S HOME ON MONDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 18 AT 7:30 PM. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THIS DEBUT PRODUCTION, AND FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATION IN OUR FUTURE THEATRE PRESENTATIONS, PLEASE CALL 336-GAY9.

YOUTH MEETING

THE BLOOMINGTON GAY/LESBIAN YOUTH GROUP WILL BEGIN THIS YEAR WITH A METTING ON SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12. THE MEETING WILL BE FROM 3 TO 5 AND HAS BEEN MOVED TO A NEW LOCATION. THE GROUP IS OPEN TO ALL MEN AND WOMEN 21 YEARS OLD AND UNDER. EVERYONE'S WELCOME. HELP US GET THE YEAR OFF TO A GOOD START. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL SWITCHBOARD AT 336-GAY9.

NEW NAME

Beginning with this issue the Bloomington Gay/Lesbian Alliance and the Gays, Lesbians, and Friends of Terre Haute have consolidated their two papers. Since we have consolidated we are now looking for a new name for the newsletter. If anyone has any ideas for a new name contact either group. Contact the BGLA at 48-G, Indiana Memorial Union, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 47401 or GLF at Box G, Tirey Memorial Union Building, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN 47809

Hello to everyone. We welcome back all our old readers along with all of our new readers to another year. With this school year brings the consolidation of two newsletters from two main gay student groups in Indiana. We are in the midst of the consolidation process and we hope to expand and improve with our newsletter in the year ahead of us. Feel free to contact us if you have any suggestions for the newsletter.

NEW TEXT BOOK

Demystifying Homosexuality: A Teacher's Source Book About Lesbians and Gay Men will be available from Irvington Publishers Inc. of New York, this fall. The book has been produced by the Human Rights Foundation of San Francisco.

The text provides curriculum material as well as in-depth information about homosexuality and the concerns, life-styles and sexuality of gay men and lesbians. A preliminary edition of the book, Lesbian and Gay Male Lifestyles and Sexuality, was produced in 1980 with a $10,000 grant from the Columbia Foundation. It was tested extensively in California schools.

Executive director of the Human Rights Foundation, Jose Gomez beleives the source book, the only publication of its kind in the united states, "will fill a great educational void." Gomez said that many teachers recognize the need to include material about homosexuality in their classes, but "most do not do so — either because they are uncertain about how to approach the topic."

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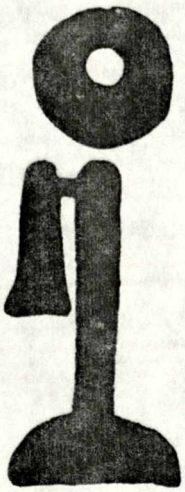
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MANAGER, ED CONAWAY "MOTHER"

Mystery Disease

Doctors strive for answers to mysterious disease that affects mostly homosexuals by Scott Kraft of the Associated Press

A DISEASE NO ONE IS SUPPOSED TO CATCH HAS KILLED MORE HAN 170 YOUNG MEN IN THE LAST TWO YEARS. MANY OF 300 OTHER NOWN VICTIMS ARE ON A KIND OF DEATH ROW AS ONE OF THE ARGEST MEDICAL INVESTIGATIVE TEAMS EVER ASSEMBLED TRIES O FIND THE CAUSE AND A CURE-BEFORE TIME RUNS OUT.

THE SYNDROME, KNOWN AS "AQUIRED CELLULAR IMMUNE EFICIENCY," IS A CHINK IN THE BODY'S DISEASE-FIGHTING YSTEM. A TOXIC SUBSTANCE OR A BACTERIUM OR A VIRUS-OR ERHAPS A COMBINATION OF THINGS-IS WIPIN OUT THE CELLS N AN ENTIRE SECTION OF THE IMMUNE SYSTEM.

THIS EPIDEMIC OF AN UNKNOWN KILLER IS A MEDICAL YSTERY THAT DWARFS TOXIC SHOCK-SYNDROME AND LEGIONNAIRES' ISEASE. ALREADY IT HAS KILLED MORE PEOPLE THAN THOSE WO EPIDEMICS COMBINED.

MORE THAN A THIRD OF THOSE DIAGNOSED AS HAVING THE ISEASE HAVE DIED AS A RESULT; 80 PERCENT OF THOSE DIAGNOSED EFORE 1981 ARE DEAD, THE CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL SAYS. ND EVERY DAY BRINGS AN AVERAGE OF TWO NEW CASES. MOST RE HOMOSEXUAL MEN, MANY OF THEM MIDDLE-CLASS.

AFTER THE IMMUNE SYSTEMS FAIL, A HOST OF DISEASES AY SET IN. THE MOST COMMON ARE KAPOSI'S SARCOMA, AN THERWISE RARE SKIN CANCER, AND PNEUMOCYSTIS PNEUMONIA-ONCE NLY FOUND IN PEOPLE WHOSE BODY DEFENSE SYSTEMS WERE WEAKENED Y TREATMENTS FOR CANCER OR DRUGS FOR ORGAN TRANSPLANTS.

DOCTORS KNOW WHAT THE KILLER SYNDROME IS. THEY DON'T NOW WHY OR HOW.

THE SYNDROME, WHICH IS FRIGHTENING THE HOMOSEXUAL OMMUNITY, NOW ALSO IS BEING FOUND MORE FREQUENTLY AMONG ETEROSEXUALS, RAISING THE POSSIBILITY THAT IT IS NOT IMITED TO A SMALL GROUP OF AMERICANS.

ALTHOUGH THERE NOW IS NO EVIDENCE OF WIDESPREAD RISK TO HE GENERAL PUBLIC, THERE ARE INCREASING NUMBERS OF VICTIMS HO DON'T FIT INTO THE GROUPS THAT APPEAR TO BE AT HIGHER ISK, SAYS DR. JAMES CURRAN, HEAD OF A CDC TASK FORCE TUDYING THE SYNDROME.

IN SEARCH OF ANSWERS, THE ATLANTA-BASED CDC TAPPED 75 ITS EXPERTS IN PARASITIC DISEASES, VIRUSES, SEXUALLY RANSMITTED DISEASES, CANCER AND MANY OTHER FIELDS. AFTER ORE THAN A YEAR OF STUDY, THE FEDERAL TEAM WILL HAVE PENT $2 MILLION BY THIS FALL, RIVALING THE EARLY STAGES F THE EXHAUSTIVE SEARCH FOR THE CAUSE OF LEGIONNAIRES' ISEASE IN 1976.

MORE THAN 100 OTHER EXPERTS AT SEVERAL MAJOR RESEARCH OSPITALS, AS WELL AS PRIVATE PHYSICIANS, ALSO ARE STUDYING HE DISEASE, WHICH GIVES THEM A RARE OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY ANCER IN A CLOSED, SPIDEMIC FORM.

IF DOCTORS CAN LINK AN INFECTION OR COMBINATION OF NFECTIONS TO IMMUNE DEFICIENCY AND, ULTIMATELY, TO CANCER, IT IS THE BEST THING THAT CAN HAPPEN TO MEDICAL SCIENCE," AYS DR. BIJAN SAFAI, CHIEF OF DERMATOLOGY SERVICES AT EMORIAL SLOAN KETTERING CANCER CENTER, WHERE 35 INVESTIGATORS RE STUDYING THE DISEASE.

MEDICAL SLEUTHS AT THE CDC AND ELSEWHERE ARE TALKING TO ICTIMS OF THE SYNDROME, ASKING INTIMATE QUESTIONS ABOUT EXUAL PARTNERS AND PRACTICES, AND LOOKING FOR COMMON HREAD. THEY ARE ASKING HEROIN USERS WHERE THEY GET THEIR IX AND WHO THEY SHARE NEEDLES WITH.

THEY ARE EXAMINING THE BLOOD OF VICTIMS. THEY ARE TUDYING THE GENES OF VICTIMS. THEY ARE INJECTING DISEASED ISSUE FROM VICTIMS INTO MONKEYS IN ARIZONIA.

THEY ARE TESTING AMYL NITRATE (POPPERS) ON MICE IN A ST VIRGINIA LABORATORY BECAUSE MANY OF THE HOMOSEXUAL ICTIMS REPORTED USING THE STIMULANT TO INTENSIFY ORGASM.

HEY ARE SORTING THROUGH 500,000 NEW YORK CITY MEDICAL ECORDS IN SEARCH OF PATTERNS.

ONE AREA NOT EXPLORED IS AFRICA, THE ONLY PLACE IN HE WORLD WHERE KAPOSI'S IS COMMON AMONG CHILDREN AND OUNG ADULTS. CURRAN SAYS THAT SENDING A RESEARCH TEAM TO FRICA IS NOT A HIGH PRIORITY BECAUSE "THERE IS NO EVIDENCE HAT THE PROFOUND BREAKDOWN IN IMMUNITY IS OCCURRING THERE."

EACH NEW PIECE OF INFORMATION RAISES MORE QUESTIONS AND AUNCHES MORE STUDIES, CURRAN SAYS.

EVEN IF A PATIENT RECOVERS FROM KAPOSI'S OR PNEUMOCYSTIS, T IS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE HE CATCHES ANOTHER IFE-THREATENING DISEASE.

WHILE DOCTORS SEARCH FOR A CAUSE OF THE IMMUNE DEFICIENCY, HEY ALSO ARE TRYING TO TREAT THE RESULTING DISEASES AND ESTING EXPERIMENTAL MEDICATIONS LIKE INTERFERON TO RESTORE HE IMMUNE SYSTEM.

"WE CAN'T EVEN TREAT SOME OF THE MOST UNUSUAL ANIFESTATIONS OF THE IMMUNE DEFICIENCY, MUCH LESS THE EFICIENCY ITSELF," CURRAN SAYS.

THE TYPICAL PATIENT IS A MAN, 25 TO 44 YEARS OLD. ABOUT 5 PERCENT ARE HOMOSEXUAL OR BISEXUAL. ABOUT 60 PERCENT RE WHITE; THE REST ARE BLACK OR HISPANIC. FIFTY PERCENT F THE CASES HAVE BEEN IN NEW YORK CITY, 20 PERCENT IN ALIFORNIA AND THE REST IN 22 OTHER STATES AND SEVEN OREIGN COUNTRIES.

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SATURDAY 18th - SPECIAL SHOW
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

As summer comes to a close it is now time to begin that process again called school. Last year had a lot of excitement for members of the GLF and a lot of heated debate. To begin the school year we are getting everything ready for the state conference which will be held on October 1,2,3.

The conference will host a broad selection of speakers and activists and will offer numerous presentations and workshops at this special state conference. The conference named GUIDEPOST '82 will feature examinations of subjects ranging from gay art to militant activism. The conference will also premier a slide show of the 1st International Gay Photographic Competition. The show will be on display in San Francisco and New York while in the USA.

Keynote speakers at the conference will include Greg Day, a photo-journalists, candidate for San Fransisco City Supervisor, and President of the Freedom Day Committee. From Philadelphia the conference will bring Daniel Tsang, an author, editor of the Gay Insergent magazine, editor of the book The Age Taboo which is an anthology discussing man/boy love. Previously Dan has been the keynote speaker for the 2nd National Conference for Third World Lesbians and Gays held in November of 1981, in Chicago; as well as having been keynote speaker for San Fransisco's Freedom Day Rally this year during Gay Pride Week. Also featured will be Tom Reeves, an author and long time civil rights activists, a spokesperson for NAMBLA, and keynote speaker for the 10th National Canadian Conference held in Toronto in June of 1982. From Fort Wayne, Indiana comes Terri Norman, a musician, legislative advisor for the Gay Lesbian Organization of Fort Wayne, and co-editor of their publication TRIO.

An open reception for the guest speakers will be held Friday evening following the Gay Photographic Exhibition. A gay band may provide atmosphere for the event. Saturday will feature two workshop sessions, the presentation of the 1st Indiana Lesbian and Gay Merit Citation Award, and a social dance in the evening. Sunday will offer a special brunch for those who wish to exchange thoughts and ideas with the keynote speakers. The cost for the brunch is not included in the conference fee.

Tentative workshop subjects include: Legal Aspects, S&M, Tranvestism, Transexism, Gay Youth, Gays and Religion, Legislation, Government Repression, Gay Press, Organization, Female Sexuality, Male Intamacy, Gay Men and Feminism, Gay Art History, Gay Literature, Gay Men/Wife Relationships, Protection.

The registration fee for this conference will be $5.00 and this will include the dance on Saturday evening. You will be able to come to the dance without going to the conference at a cost of $2.00. Forms will be out soon on everything in more details. For more information on the conference come to the GLF meetings on Thursdays or call the information line which is open Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday evenings 7-9PM. Oh well I hope to see everyone at the state conference which should be a very successful and enjoyable conference. Hope to see you all there. I love you all.

Michael E. Stotler, President

Gays, Lesbians, and Friends
Indiana State University

GAY ART

SAN FRANCISCO— The National Gay Art Archives, established to catalogue, research, collect and exhibit gay art of the past and present, is now seeking works by George Quaintance.

The Archives now is interested in photos, slides, prints paintings and other works by Quaintance, whose art was popular in the '50s and '60s.

The National Gay Art Archives can be contacted in San Francisco, CA at 724 Fillmore Street, zip code 94117.

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BGLA NEWS

IN THE PAST, BGLA HAS HAD SOME DIFFICULTY MEETING ITS VERY MODEST EXPENSES. RECENTLY, HOWEVER, DUE TO THE EFFORTS OF SOME COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND AN IMPORTANT COMMITMENT FROM INTEGRITY OF BLOOMINGTON, THIS HAS CHANGED. IN FACT, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN SEVERAL YEARS WE BEGIN A SCHOOL YEAR WITH OUR MAJOR UPCOMING BILLS ALREADY COVERED.

THE MAIN COSTS DERIVE FROM THE GAY AND LESBIAN SWITCHBOARD. WE PAY A YEARLY RENTAL OF $55 FOR AN OFFICE IN THE INDIANA MEMORIAL UNION AND $33 A MONTH FOR THE TELEPHONE. THIS SPRING WE WERE HAVING PROBLEMS KEEPING UP WITH THE PHONE BILLS. IN MAY INTEGRITY VOTED TO GIVE THE REFRESHMENTS DONATIONS FROM ITS FIRST MONDAY MEETING TO THE SWITCHBOARD. ABOUT $20 IS COLLECTED EACH MONTH.

THE PRIDE WEEK COMMITTEE RAISED OVER $50 FROM THE SALE OF LAST YEAR'S REMAINING T-SHIRTS. IN ADDITION, BGLA HELD A LAVENDER ELEPHANT SALE ON AUGUST 7 WHICH NETTED $105. AS A RESULT OF THESE EFFORTS OUR RENT WILL BE PAID ON TIME THIS YEAR AND SEED MONEY FOR DANCES AND OTHER EVENTS THIS FALL IS STARTING TO ACCUMULATE.

Bob Kuhn
Co-Director
Bloomington Gay/Lesbian Alliance

THE BLOOMINGTON GAY AND LESBIAN ALLIANCE PLANS TO BRING KARLA JAY TO THE BLOOMINGTON CAMPUS TO DELIVER A LECTURE ENTITLED "THE NEW GOLDEN AGE OF SAPPHO: A SLIDE SHOW AND LECTURE ON NATALIE CLIFFORD BARNEY AND RENEE VIVIEN." THE LECTURE WILL BE PRESENTED ON OCTOBER 10, 1982, AT 8 PM IN THE SOLARIUM OF THE INDIANA MEMORIAL UNION.

THE LESBIAN/GAY MEN SPEAKERS' BUREAU IS AN ORGANIZATION OF LESBIANS AND GAY MEN WHO PROVIDE EXPERIENTIAL AND EDUCATIONAL TALKS TO CLASSES, RESIDENCE HALLS, AND OTHER INTERESTED ORGANIZATIONS AND INFORMAL GROUPS. THE SPEAKERS' BUREAU EXTENDS ITS SERVICE TO BOTH THE UNIVERSITY AND THE BLOOMINGTON COMMUNITY. EXPERIENCED PUBLIC SPEAKERS SHARE INFORMATION ABOUT GAY MEN, LESBIANS, AND THE POSITIVE EXPERIENCE OF BEING GAY. THE GOALS OF THE SPEAKERS' BUREAU ARE TO DISSEMINATE ACCURATE, UNBIASED INFORMATION CONCERNING HOMOSEXUALITY, AND TO ENCOURAGE A FUNDAMENTAL RETHINKING OF THE OFTEN DISTORTED VALUE SYSTEMS WHICH INDIVIDUALS IN OUR SOCIETY HOLD IN REGARD TO HOMOSEXUALITY.

IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL PANEL DISCUSSIONS ON HOMOSEXUALITY, THE SPEAKERS' BUREAU OFFERS MORE SPECIALIZED PANELS ON: HOMOSEXUALITY AND FEMINISM; CHRISTIANITY AND GAYS; LESBIAN COUPLES; GAY MALE COUPLES; SINGLE GAYS/MARRIED GAYS; PSYCHOLOGY/COUNSELING GAYS; GAYS AND POLITICAL ACTION; SEX ROLES AND SEXUAL STEREOTYPING; HOMOSEXUALITY AND THE FAMILY; AND IN-SERVICE TRAINING FOR COUNSELORS, R.A.S, ETC.

SPEAKERS BUREAU DOES NOT CHARGE FOR THEIR SERVICE. THEY DO ASK THAT THEY BE GIVEN AT LEAST THREE DAYS ADVANCE NOTICE FOR A PRESENTATION AND THAT INFORMATION ON THE NATURE OF THE AUDIENCE BE SUPPLIED.

ONE NIGHT IN AUGUST OF LAST YEAR, I SAT IN MY BIG AND LONELY HOUSE, FEELING SORRY FOR MYSELF. I THOUGHT ABOUT THE PAST SEVEN YEARS OF MY LIFE AND HOW DIFFICULT THEY HAD BEEN. BUT THE PERIOD OF QUESTIONING MY SEXUALITY WAS FINALLY OVER AND I COULD CALL MYSELF GAY WITHOUT BREAKING OUT INTO A COLD SWEAT. "THERE ARE CERTAINLY WORSE THINGS IN THE WORLD THAN BEING GAY," I TOLD MYSELF. SO, HERE I WAS, A GAY 17 YEAR OLD ABOUT TO START MY SENIOR YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL, AND I WAS SCARED AND VERY LONELY. "WHERE DOES ONE GO TO MEET OTHER GAYS," I WONDERED. SEVERAL SLEAZY LOCALES CAME TO MIND. I DIDN'T WANT ANONYMOUS SEX. I COULDN'T HANDLE THAT. I JUST NEEDED TO TALK TO SOMEBODY.

SOMEHOW, IS SUPPOSE OUT OF DESPERATION, I GOT UP THE NERVE TO CALL THE GAY/LESBIAN SWITCHBOARD. THE PHONE RANG TWICE, A MALE VOICE ANSWERED, AND I HUNG UP. MY HEART WAS DOING ABOUT 80 MPH BY THIS TIME. I CALLED BACK THOUGH, AND HAD AN EXCELLENT CONVERSATION WITH A MAN NAMED FRITZ. HE INFORMED ME THAT THERE HAD BEEN A LOT OF TALK ABOUT STARTING A GAY YOUTH GROUP BECAUSE THE SWITCHBOARD APPARENTLY RECEIVES LOTS OF CALLS FROM HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. "WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN STARTING ONE," HE ASKED. I ANSWERED, "AS LONG AS I DON'T HAVE TO DO ANYTHING." AND WE SET THE DATE OF THE FIRST MEETING FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1981.

WE ALL MET EVERY OTHER SUNDAY AT FRITZ'S HOUSE AND DISCUSSED SUCH THINGS AS THE GAY STEREOTYPE, RELATIONSHIPS, COMING OUT, AND HIGH SCHOOL ATTITUDES ABOUT GAYS.

THE GROUP HAS HELPED ME OUT TREMENDOUSLY. I'M FEELING BETTER ABOUT MYSELF THAN EVEN BEFORE. NO ONE SHOULD HAVE TO GO THROUGH A SEXUAL IDENTITY CRISIS ALONE.

WHY DON'T YOU COME TO THE BLOOMINGTON GAY/LESBIAN YOUTH GROUP? IT'S OPEN TO ANYONE, MALE OR FEMALE, 21 YEARS OLD AND UNDER. OUR FIRST MEETING THIS YEAR WILL BE ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12. FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL THE SWITCHBOARD AT 336-GAY9.

JOIN CONFERENCE

WASHINGTON— Both the Gay Rights National Lobby (GRNL) and the National Gay Task Force (NGTF) have been accepted into the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, a coalition of labor, religious, minority and women's groups.

The decision to admit the two organizations reverses earlier rejections of gay and lesbian organizations. NGTF initially applied for membership approximately five years ago.

According to the executive director of GRNL, Steven Endean the two gay organizations were supported in their bid for membership by both the Catholic Conference and the AFL-CIO. "While some (organizations in the conference) may have misgivings about lifestyle," Endean said, "there is a growing understanding that fair housing and employment legislation for lesbians and gay men is consistent with the best civil rights tradition."

NGTF director of civil rights advocacy, Mel Boozer, termed the development "an excellent opportunity to educate (other civil rights groups) on the importance of including 'sexual orientation' in the list of civil rights."

Gay Democrats Meet

MICHAEL STOTLER,A GAY ACTIVIST FROM TERRE HAUTE,IN AND SIXTY FOUR OTHER GAY RIGHTS LEADERS INVOLVED WITH THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN SOME 25 CITIES FORMED THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF GAY AND LESBIAN DEMOCRATIC CLUB AT A NATIONAL CONFERENCE IN PHILADELPHIA ON JUNE 24.

CHOOSING PHILADELPHIA AS A MEETING PLACE SO THEY COULD ALSO ATTEND THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY'S MID TERM CONFERENCE, HELD JUNE 25-27, MR. STOTLER AND OTHER PARTICIPANTS MET WITH FORMER VICE PRESIDENT WALTER MONDALE TO DISCUSS GAY RIGHTS ISSUES AND SUCCESSFULLY LOBBIED FOR THE PASSAGE OF THREE GAY RIGHTS AMENDMENTS TO AN OFFICIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY STATEMENT ON "GOALS AND PRINCIPLES."

STOTLER AND THE OTHER GAY REPRESENTATIVES WERE ALSO VISITED BY DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIRMAN CHARLES MANATT AND SENATOR ALAN CRANSTON, A DEMOCRATIC SENATOR FROM CALIFORNIA, BOTH OF WHOM GAVE BRIEF SPEECHES BEFORE THE GAY CONFERENCE.

"OUR EFFORTS IN PHILADELPHIA WERE A MAJOR SUCCESS," SAID TOM CHORLTON, PRESIDENT OF THE GERTRUDE STEIN DEMOCRATIC CLUB AND THE NEWLY APPOINTED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

STOTLER SAID THE GROUP HAS ALREADY DEMONSTRATED SUCCESS BY ACHIEVING ONE OF ITS MAJOR GOALS: CREATION OF AN ORGANIZATION TO SERVE AS A SINGLE VOICE REPRESENTING GAYS BEFORE THE LEADERSHIP OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

THOSE ATTENDING THE GAY CONFERENCE ALSO AGREED THE GROUP WILL ATTEMPT TO STRENGTHEN EFFORTS OF THE MORE THAN THREE DOZEN LOCAL GAY DEMOCRATIC CLUBS ACROSS THE COUNTRY, ENCOURAGE THE FORMATION OF NEW GAY DEMOCRATIC CLUBS, AND WORK TO INSURE THAT MORE POLITICIANS SUPPORTIVE OF GAY RIGHTS ARE ELECTED TO PUBLIC OFFICE.

OF PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE, ORGANIZERS OF THE NEW GROUP SAID, WAS MANATT'S APPEARANCE BEFORE THEIR CONFERENCE. IN A BRIEF SPEECH, THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY CHAIRMAN TOLD THE GROUP THE PARTY IS COMMITTED TO ITS 1980 PLATFORM, WHICH CALLS FOR PROTECTION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION BASED ON SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AND THE PARTY'S RECENTLY REVISED CHARTER, WHICH GUARANTEES FULL PARTICIPATION OF GAYS IN THE PARTY.

MANATT SAID THAT BEING CHAIRMAN OF THE PARTY THAT HE INTENDED TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION ON THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GAY PROGRAM AND ALL HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES FACING THE AMERICAN PUBLIC.

GWEN CRAIG, PRESIDENT OF THE HARVEY MILK GAY DEMOCRATIC CLUB OF SAN FRANCISCO, AND PETER VOGEL, FORMER FOUR-TERM PRESIDENT OF LAMBDA INDEPENDENT DEMOCRATS OF BROOKLYN, WERE ELECTED AS CO-CHAIRS OF THE NEW GAY GROUP. PARTICIPANTS ALSO ELECTED SIX REGIONAL VICE CHAIRS, FOUR AT-LARGE VICE CHAIRS, TREASURER AND SECRETARY.

IN OTHER BUSINESS, STOTLER AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE NEW ASSOCIATION VOTED TO AUTHORIZE THE ELECTED CO-CHAIRS TO DRAFT BY-LAWS WHICH WILL DEVISE A FORMULA FOR VOTING REPRESENTATION AMONG MEMBER CLUBS. THE CO-CHAIRS WERE ALSO CHARGED WITH FINALIZING INITIAL PLANS TO LIMIT VOTING PRIVILEGES TO GAY GROUPS WILLING TO BE PUBLICLY IDENTIFIED WITH THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY. NON-PARTISAN GROUPS WILL BE GIVEN SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP STATUS.

WITH INITIAL BUSINESS PERTAINING TO THE NEW ASSOCIATION COMPLETED, GAY PARTICIPANTS TURNED THEIR ATTENTION TO THE DEMOCRATIC MID-TERM CONFERENCE WHICH WAS HELD AT PHILADELPHIA'S CIVIC CENTER.

AT A POST CONFERENCE DINNER AT EQUIS, A POPULAR GAY BAR IN PHILADELPHIA'S CENTER CITY, CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS MANAGED TO RAISE $10,600 IN PLEDGES FOR THE NEW NATIONAL GROUP AT THE WEDDING OF LEE HARRINGTON, FORMER PRESIDENT OF HOUSTON'S GAY POLITICAL CAUCUS AND MICHAEL STOTLER, PRESIDENT OF THE TERRE HAUTE GAYS, LESBIANS, AND FRIENDS AND REPRESENTATIVE OF THE JUSTICE OF INDIANA.

MOST PARTICIPANTS OF THE GAY CONFERENCE SAID THEY LEFT THE LARGER PARTY CONFERENCE WITH AN OPTIMISTIC FEELING. GAY DEMOCRATS SAID THEY WERE PLEASED THEIR VIEW DID PREVAIL IN THE DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM. MIKE STEED, A COUSEL TO MANATT, SAID THAT THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IS COMMITTED TO SUPPORT THE GAY RIGHTS PROVISIONS OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY PLATFORM. STEED ALSO COMMENTED THAT HE HOPED GAY DEMOCRATS HOPES THEY WOULD SUPPORT THE PARTY AS A WHOLE RATHER THAN JUST THEIR OWN SINGLE ISSUE.

OVER ALL THE CONFERENCE WAS A SUCCESS AND MR. STOTLER HOPED TO REPRESENT INDIANA IN THIS BIG STEP FOR THE GAY MOVEMENT. ALSO PEOPLE IN TERRE HAUTE AND INDIANAPOLIS WHO HELPED TO SEND MR. STOTLER TO PHILADELPHIA SHOULD BE THANKED TOO FOR WITHOUT THESE PEOPLE MR. STOTLER WOULD HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO FINANCE IT ALONE.

Gays & Hospitals

Frightened Gays turn to hospitals, but they don't receive much reassurance by the Associated Press

FRIGHTENED BY A LETHAL MYSTERY DISEASE THAT HAS KILLED MORE THAN 100 IN THE GAY COMMUNITY OF NEW YORK, HOMOSEXUALS ARE FLOODING MEDICAL CLINICS AND HOSPITALS WITH QUESTIONS NO ONE CAN ANSWER.

"THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF PANIC," SAYS DR. JOYCE WALLACE, A GREENWICH VILLAGE PHYSICIAN. HER PATIENTS IN THE LAST TWO YEARS HAVE INCLUDED SIX HOMOSEXUAL MEN WITH KAPOSI'S SARCOMA OR PNEUMOCYSTIS PNEUMONIA-TWO DISEASES THAT SET IN AFTER THE BODY'S IMMUNE SYSTEM HAS BEEN WIPED OUT BY AN UNKNOWN AGENT. THREE OF THEM HAVE DIED.

ACOSS THE NATION, THERE HAVE BEEN 170 DEATHES. AT LEAST 70 PERCENT WERE HOMOSEXUALS.

"THERE'S A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF CONCERN HERE," SAID TOM NYLUND, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE GAY AND LESBIAN COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER IN LOS ANGELES.

"EVERY TIME THERE'S AN ARTICLE IN THE PAPER OR ON THE NEWS ABOUT IT, OUR PHONES LIGHT UP LIKE A CHRISTMAS TREE. THEY WANT TO COME IN AND GET TESTED FOR THE 'NEW CANCER.'

"WE HAVE TO EXPLAIN THAT IT'S NOT THE SORT OF THING A VD CLINIC CAN DO. IT INVOLVES A WHOLE BATTERY OF COMPLICATED, EXPENSIVE TESTS. AND THE CANCER IS ONLY A RESULT OF AN UNDERLYING, IMMUNE DISEASE."

ALTHOUGH THE MYSTERY KILLER HAS BEEN PRIMARILY LIMITED TO HOMOSEXUALS, DOCTORS ARE BEGINNING TO FIND CASES INVOLVING HETEROSEXUALS. BUT THERE ARE INDICATIONS THE DISEASE IS SOMEHOW TRANSMITTED BY VICTIMS, AND THE GAY COMMUNITY REMAINS A PRIME AREA OF MEDICAL INQUIRY.

A CASE CONTROL STUDY OF GAY VICTIMS LAST FALL INDICATED THAT VICTIMS HAD A LARGER NUMBER OF SEXUAL CONTACTS WITH ANONYMOUS PARTNERS AND A HISTORY OF SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES.

THEY ARE STUDYING THE EFFECTS OF DRUGS USED BY GAYS TO ENHANCE ORGASM, AND HAVE EXAMINED THE POSSIBILITY THAT FREQUENT BOUTS WITH VENEREAL DISEASE AMONG GAYS MIGHT BREAK DOWN THE BODY'S ABILITY TO FIGHT ILLINESS.

"IT SHOWS THAT THERE IS A CERTAIN LIFESTYLE ASSOCIATED WITH IT, BUT WE DON'T KNOW ENOUGH TO TELL PEOPLE NOT TO LIVE THIS WAY. AFTER ALL, THIS IS NOT LIMITED TO GAYS NOW," SAYS DR. HAROLD JAFFE, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE CDC TASK FORCE.

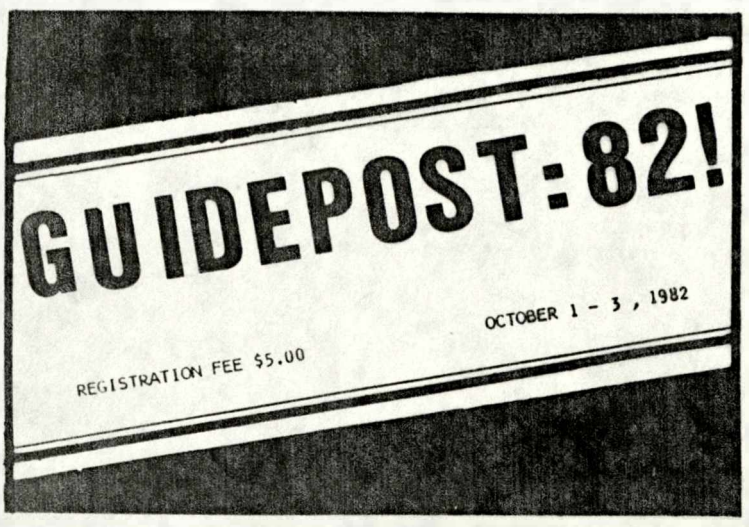
STILL, MRS. WALLACE SAYS SOME OF HER GAY PATIENTS ARE BEING CAUTIOUS. SOME WHO USED TO BE PROMISCUOUS "APE LEADING A MUCH MORE QUIET LIFESTYLE," SHE SAYS.

SEVERAL GAY PHYSICIANS HAVE FLOWN TO CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL HEADQUARTERS AT ATLANTA, AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE, TO TALK WITH DR. JAMES CURRAN, HEAD OF THE CDC TASK FORCE ON IMMUNE DEFICIENCY, AND LEARN MORE ABOUT TREATING THE DISEASE.

"PEOPLE LOOK TO US AND SAY: WHAT SHOULD WE DO FOR THESE PATIENTS? WELL, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO," SAYS MARY GUINAN, A CDC EPIDEMIOLOGIST FOR THE TASK FORCE.

"WE CAN HELP THEM TREAT THE INFECTION, BUT WE CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT THAT IMMUNE DEFICIENCY. OUR BEST HOPE IS TO TRY TO KEEP THESE PATIENTS INFECTION FREE WITH THE HOPE THAT WE'LL FIGURE OUT HOW TO REPAIR THEIR IMMUNE SYSTEM."

"IT'S VERY DEPRESSING," SAYS DR. ALVIN FRIEDMAN KLIEN OF THE NEW YORK UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER. "OUR GAY PATIENTS OFTEN FEEL THEY'RE BEING PUNISHED FOR THEIR SEXUAL PREFERENCE...THAT THEY'RE BEING TORMENTED BY THIS STRANGE NEW DISEASE."



Disease

THE IMMUNE SYSTEM IS MADE UP OF ANTIBODIES AND WHITE
OOD CELLS, CALLED LYMPHOCYTES, WHICH WORK TOGETHER IN
YS STILL NOT UNDERSTOOD BY THE HEALTH PROFESSION.
NO ONE HAD SEEN SUCH A SPONTANEOUS ATTACK ON THE IMMUNE
STEM, OF A HEALTHY PERSON IN MID-LIFE. "WE HAD NEVER
EN THIS PROBLEM IN NATURE BEFORE," SAID DR. MARY GUINAN,
DC EPIDEMIOLOGIST.
THE MYSTERY STORY BEGAN LAST JUNE WHEN DR. MICHAEL
TLIEB OF UCLA REPORTED FIVE CASES OF PNEUMOCYSTIS IN
NG HOMOSEXUAL MEN IN LOS ANGELES. ALL EVENTUALLY DIED.
THEN SEVERAL OTHER LOS ANGELES PHYSICIANS SAID THEY
SEEN YOUNG HOMOSEXUALS WITH SEVERE CASES OF KAPOSI'S
COME, A RARELY FATAL SKIN CANCER THAT PREVIOUSLY HAD
ECTED ONLY ELDERLY PEOPLE.
DR. ALVIN FRIEDMAN-KIEN, OF NEW YORK UNIVERSITY MEDICAL
TER, CALLED THE CDC TO REPORT HIS COLLEAGUES HAD SEEN
HT CASES OF KAPOSI'S IN HOMOSEXUAL MEN IN THE PREVIOUS
R.
KAPOSI'S AND PNEUMOCYSTIS WERE LINKED FROM THE
INNING; 20 PERCENT OF THE PATIENTS HAD KAPOSI'S AND
UMOCYSTIS AT THE SAME TIME AND BOTH DISEASES WERE
OCIATED WITH DEFECTS IN THE IMMUNE SYSTEM. TESTS
FIRMED THE IMMUNE DEFICIENCY.

PHYSICIANS FROM NEW YORK, SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELOS
AN REPORTING CASES, AND THE NUMBER SWELLED TO 26. A
K FORCE WAS FORMED, AND CDC EPIDEMIOLOGISTS, AS THEY DO
ALL SUCH MYSTERIES, SET OUT TO FIND THE COMMON DENOMINATOR.
"THE LINK AMONG THESE GUYS WAS THAT THEY WERE ALL GAY,"
GUINAN SAYS. "SO WE SAID, 'WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? WHY
D IT AFFECT ONLY GAYS?"
CDC STUDIED THE LIFESTYLES AND EXPERIENCES OF PATIENTS
NON-PATIENTS. THEY ASKED ABOUT HOBBIES, PETS, USE OF
EET DRUGS, FIRST SEXUAL EXPERIENCES, NUMBER OF SEX
NERS AND THE GENERAL HEALTH OF PATIENTS' FRIENDS. THEY
ED ABOUT TRAVEL, PREVIOUS DISEASES AND SEXUAL PRACTICES.
BUT THERE WERE DIFFICULTIES. SOME PATIENTS WERE EITHER
D OR TOO ILL TO BE INTERVIEWED BY THE TIME CDC RESEARCHERS
IVED. EVEN WHEN THE PATIENTS ARE COOPERATIVE, AS THE CDC
S MOST HAVE BEEN, THE QUESTIONS ARE EMBARASSING AND
NSELY PERSONAL.
PROFILES WERE COMPILED, EXAMINED AND CROSS-CHECKED.
DION'T FIND THE SMOKING GUN," SAYS DR. HAROLD JAFFE,
ITY DIRECTOR OF THE TASK FORCE.
BUT THEY DID FIND THAT THE HOMOSEXUAL PATIENTS HAD ABOUT
E THE NUMBER OF SEXUAL PARTNERS AS OTHER HOMOSEXUALS
ERVIEWED, MORE VARIED SEXUAL EXPERIENCES AND HISTORIES
SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES.
ONE HYPOTHESIS: THE DISEASE WAS BEING SEXUALLY
SMITTED, AND THE MOST PROMISCUOUS MEN WERE THE MOST
EPTIBLE. SUBSEQUENT RESEARCH HAS SUPPORTED THAT
RY. LAST MONTH, THE CDC REPORTED THAT INTERVIEWS WITH
VICTIMS OR THEIR CLOSE FRIENDS IN LOS ANGELES SHOWED
HAD SEXUAL CONTACT WITH OTHER VICTIMS OF THE DISEASE.
ANOTHER HYPOTHESIS: SINCE THE CASES WERE OCCURING
ARILY IN TWO STATES, A TOXIC SUBSTANCE UNIQUE TO THOSE
S WAS TO BLAME. INTERVIEWS WITH VICTIMS HASN'T SHOWN
A LINK, HOWEVER, THE CDC SAYS.
MORE THAN HALF THE HOMOSEXUAL PATIENTS ALSO USED AMYL
ATE OR POPPERS TO INTENSIFY ORGASM. WAS THERE A LINK?
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH IS
YING THE CHEMICAL'S EFFECT ON MICE.
ABOUT HALF THE KAPOSI'S PATIENTS ALSO HAD A HISTORY OF
LEN LYMPH NODES, A CONDITION COMMON IN HOMOSEXUAL MEN
REASONS NOT FULLY UNDERSTOOD. SOME DOCTORS SUSPECT THAT
LEN LYMPH NODES MAY BE A LEAD-UP PHASE TO KAPOSI'S.
JUST WHEN IT SEEMED THAT THE DISEASE MIGHT BE CONFINED
HE HOMOSEXUAL COMMUNITY, SEVERAL HETEROSEXUAL CASES WERE
RTED, MOSTLY BLACKS OR HISPANICS WHO WERE HEAVY USERS
NJECTED DRUGS AND HAD LITTLE SEXUAL ACTIVITY.

"THAT MAY SEEM TO BE CONFLICTING EVIDENCE, BUT BOTH
STYLES INCLUDE MANY POSSIBLE EXPOSURES," SUCH AS
CTIONS, CURRAN SAID.
THE INVESTIGATION BROADENED. AT THE CDC, FEW THEORIES
DISCARDED.
THE CDC LEARNED FROM ITS LEGIONNAIRES' DISEASE INVEST-
ION NOT TO FILE AWAY ANY POSSIBILITIES. IN THAT CASE,
MEDICAL PROFESSION ASSUMED THAT THE AGENT CAUSING
ONNAIRES' WAS ONE OF THE ONES WE ALREADY HAD THE ANSWERS
' SAYS DR. WALTER DOWDLE, DIRECTOR OF THE CENTER FOR
CTIOUS DISEASES AT CDC. "THE AGENT TURNED OUT TO BE A
ERIA NEW TO THE WORLD."
LAST WEEK THE CDC SAID A THIRD MAJOR GROUP IS GETTING
DISEASE IN LARGER THAN EXPECTED NUMBERS: RECENT HAITIAN
GRANTS WHO NEITHER INJECT DRUGS NOR ARE HOMOSEXUALS. THE
HASN'T REACHED ANY CONCLUSIONS ABOUT THE HAITIANS' LINK
THE OTHER GROUPS YET.
IN LOOKING FOR A CAUSE, THE EXCEPTIONS OFTEN HOLD THE
TODAY THE FOCUS IS ON HETEROSEXUAL CASES. THE HETERO-
AL PATIENT WHO IS NOT A DRUG USER AND LIVES OUTSIDE
FORNIA AND NEW YORK "SCARES ME TO DEATH," DR. GUINAN SAYS.
"PEOPLE JUST AREN'T SUPPOSED TO GET LIFE-THREATENING
ASES FOR NO UNDERLYING REASON," CURRAN SAYS. AND IF
HISTORY OF OTHER DISEASES IS ANY GUIDE, HE ADDS, "WE'RE
ABLY GOING TO SEE MANY, MANY MORE PEOPLE WHO HAVE LESS
OUS FORMS OF THE DISEASE."•

Calendar

SEPTEMBER

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SEPTEMBER

2 T - GLF BUSINESS MEETING

3 T - GLF SOCIAL

5 B - SWITCHBOARD MEETING

6 B - INTEGRITY: GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

9 T - GLF BUSINESS MEETING

10 T - GLF SOCIAL

12 B - GAY/LESBIAN YOUTH GROUP

13 B - INTEGRITY: ALCOHOLISM and GAYS (presentation)

13 T - PARENTS OF GAYS MEETING

15 - - SUBMISSIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER

16 T - GLF BUSINESS MEETING

17 T - GLF SOCIAL

19 B - BGLA GENERAL MEETING

20 B - INTEGRITY: SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES (presentation)

23 T - GLF BUSINESS MEETING

24 T - GLF SOCIAL

26 B - GAY/LESBIAN YOUTH GROUP
"WELCOME TO BLOOMINGTON" DANCE

27 B - INTEGRITY: GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

30 T - GLF BUSINESS MEETINGS

OCTOBER

1-3 T - GAY AND LESBIAN STATE CONFERENCE

3 B - BGLA GENERAL MEETING: ELECTIONS

7 T - GLF BUSINESS MEETING

8 T - GLF SOCIAL

4 B - INTEGRITY: GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

10 B - KARLA JAY LECTURE
GAY/LESBIAN YOUTH GROUP

11 B - INTEGRITY: OPENING COMMINICATIONS WITH THE NEW RIGHT (presentation)

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18 B - INTEGRITY: READER'S THEATER "Tea & Sympathy"

21 T - GLF BUSINESS MEETING

22 T - GLF SOCIAL

24 B - Gay/LESBIAN YOUTH GROUP

25 B - INTERGITY: COMING OUT: What it means

28 T - GLF BUSINESS MEETING

29 T - GLF SOCIAL

31 B - HALLOWEEN DANCE

KARLA JAY LECTURE

NATALIE CLIFFORD BARNEY AND RENEE VIVIEN WERE TWO ENGLISH-SPEAKING WRITERS WHO SETTLED IN PARIS AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY. NATALIE BARNEY WROTE OVER TWENTY WORKS, MOST IN FRENCH. THEY INCLUDED POEMS, PLAYS, ESSAYS, PORTRAITS OF HER CONTEMPORARIES, AND A NOVEL. RENEE VIVIEN PUBLISHED MORE THAN NINE VOLUMES OF POETRY, A NOVEL, AND TWO VOLUMES OF PROSE-ALL IN FRENCH.

WHILE THEIR WRITINGS MIGHT BE CONSIDERED LACKING IN STYLISTIC INNOVATION, IN TERMS OF THEIR EXPANSIONS ON TRADITIONAL POETIC THEMES AND THE APPLICABILITY OF POETRY AS A WAY OF LIFE, THEIR LITERARY CONTRIBUTION HAS TO BE CONSIDERED CRUCIAL. THEIR WORK INDICATES THE INFLUENCE OF ANCIENT GREEK LANGUAGE AND THOUGHT, EXPECIALLY THE WORKS OF SAPPHO, AND THEY WERE ALSO INFLUENCED BY FRENCH SYMBOLISM AND AMERICAN FEMINIST IDEOLOGY.

IT IS REMARKABLE THAT NO SCHOLAR EVER ASCERTAINED, AS THIS LECTURE WILL DO, HOW BARNEY AND VIVIEN TRIED TO INCORPORATE IN THEIR WORK THE THEMATIC AND STYLISTIC INFLUENCES OF SOURCES AS DIVERSE AS GREEK CLASSICISM AND FRENCH SYMBOLISM. THIS LECTURE WILL ANALYZE HOW A NEW POETIC REALITY EMERGED FROM THEIR ATTEMPTS TO ASSIMILATE AND EXPAND UPON THESE INFLUENCES, AND HOW BARNEY AND VIVIEN CONTRIBUTED TO THE FORMATION OF NEW MYTHS CONCERNING WOMEN.

THIS LECTURE WILL COLORFULLY ILLUSTRATE HOW WOMEN, WHO FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS HAD SERVED AS SYMBOLS AND/OR MUSES FOR THE MALE IMAGINATION, WERE FINALLY SEEN THROUGH THE EYES OF THESE TWO WOMEN, WHO FOUND THEM TO BE HEROIC, ASSERTIVE, AND POWERFULLY SENSUAL YET PURE. IN FACT, IF THEIR POETIC CONTRIBUTION WERE TO BE JUDGED SOLELY ON THE BASIS OF THEIR RESTRUCTURING AND EXPANDING UPON THE ROLES OF WOMEN IN LITERATURE, IT WOULD BE SUFFICIENT TO EARN THEM A POSITION IN MODERN FEMINIST PHILOSOPHY. THESE CHARACTERISTICS TAKE ON SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE WHEN ONE REMEMBERS THAT THEIR BOOKS WERE WRITTEN AT A TIME WHEN THE PREDOMINANT HEROINES HAD THE PALLOR AND FRIGIDITY OF MALLARME'S HERODIADE OR MAETERLINCK'S MELISANDE.

THE LECTURE WILL SHOW HOW IN THEIR LIVES, BARNEY AND VIVIEN TRIED TO REESTABLISH THE GOLDEN AGE OF SAPPHO BY ATTEMPTING TO CREATE AN ARTISTS' COLONY FOR WOMEN ON LESBOS. LATER, BARNEY ALSO ESTABLISHED AN ACADEMIE DES FEMMES (ACADEMY OF WOMEN) AND HER FAMOUS SALON.

THE LECTURE IS ILLUSTRATED BY OVER THIRTY BEAUTIFUL SLIDES OF BARNEY, VIVIEN, AND THEIR CIRCLE, WHICH INCLUDED ROMAINE BROOKS, LUCIE DELARUE-MARDRUS, COLETTE, THE DUCHESS DE CLERMONT-TONNERE, AND OTHERS. SOME OF THE SLIDES WERE OBTAINED IN PARIS AND HAVE NEVER BEEN SEEN ON THIS CONTINENT.

THIS ARTICLE WAS WRITTEN BY KARLA JAY WHO IS THE COAUTHOR OF THE GAY REPORT AND COEDITOR OF OUT OF THE CLOSETS, AFTER YOU'RE OUT, AND LAVENDER CULTURE. SHE IS ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ENGLISH AT PACE UNIVERSITY AND IS COMPLETING HER DISSERTATION ON NATALIE BARNEY AND RENEE VIVIEN. SHE RESEARCHED THIS PROJECT IN PARIS IN 1978. THE LECTURE CAN BE DELIVERED IN EITHER ENGLISH OR FRENCH.

MASH STAR

From the popular television series MASH, actor Mike Farell, (B.J. Hunnicutt) has made a 20-minute video presentation for the Human Rights Campaign Fund, the new progay civil rights/privacy rights political action committee.

According to Steven Endean, who is treasurer and chief executive officer of the fund and executive director of the Gay Rights National Lobby, Farrell's video presentation will be used by the fund's city committees at meetings and cocktail parties, and in major donor solicitations. The fund is raising money for progay congressional candidates.

M. Farrell's presentation, a direct-mail appeal by playwright Tennessee Williams, and an advisory committee that includes a number of bishops and mayors, mark a significant departure from previous efforts by the campaign fund, in terms of both professionalism and outreach to mainstream U.S.A.



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14	B	Integrity
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THE ROCKY HORROR PICTURE SHOW

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Letters to the Editor

All we hear about, these days, is only the younger generation's complaints about the way(s) which they are "mistreated" by their elders. How they suffer at the administrations and stern observations, which they insist is so terrible, so cruel, so utterly torturous, that one must fight back, just to survive! I know, because I do it too.

I am not saying, that all these supposed 'elders' behavior is tripe on the emotional output of the younger generation, indeed, it is quite probable that quite a few elders behave just the fashion they have been represented. However, not all of the older generation can fairly be so represented, in fact, very few of the hundreds of over-fifty age group are how they are protrayed.

They have been treated far more shamefully than any other age group. They are ignored, abused financially, abused verbally, refused employment based on their age, forgotten, pushed aside or shoved aside, and are generally given the heave-ho at places where younger generations should take time to share their enjoyment. Respect shown, nearly always causes maturity grown.

Stop and think.

These people, made outcaste, made to feel that they are outcast by their children and their children's companions. This is wrong, and it is a wrong which is repeated, over and over again, truly a legacy passed-on from generation-to-generation, and one which would be much better forgotten...forever.

Quite often, the man or woman who has the most accurate information, or can be the life-of-the-party, or the best to be appointed for a specific kind of technical applied job, is the man/woman of the older generation. They have a great deal to offer to the younger generation, they have, at least, fifty-odd years of trial-and -errors, of learned knowledge, and of sound advice to give.

Youth very rarely acknowledges an elder's wisdom, until it is too late. Those who wise up in time, are the very, very lucky ones, they are very few and far between, frequently those who learn, learn after those older people have either been totally turned-off, or have gone elsewhere. Youth isn't the only group of people who runaway from something of someone when they are presented with something they can no longer withstand.

I'm one of the few who learned both too late, and just in time. I learned too late, that my grandfather (paternal) had a lot to offer me, and instead of taking all that he had to offer me, I ignored all that precious knowledge, and created mayhem. After he died, I realized that I had lost irretrievable wisdom, because I now have questions, that no one has sufficient answers to.

Fortunately, I have learned to show proper respect to those who act and feel as they should have it, and more than three-quarters of all of the people I have come in contact with, and of more than half of them, are proper, respectable, honest, hardworking, upstanding senior citizens, well worthy of any respect due to them. We share the sort of rapport all should have the ability to share with each other. Regretably, I am one of the rarities.

In conclusion, all that I have left to say, is that I pray, to whatever god or diety you wish that I swear by, I pray that very, very soon we of tomorrow learn to live a full and lasting livelihood with our days long past, with love and serenity and eternity of time. I remain optimistic.

M.S.W.

The Editor's Space

The US National Gay Task Force (NGTF) has so far failed to respond to the angry reaction of Toronto's Right to Privacy Committee and a TBP editorial protesting the election of Jack Campbell to the post of NGTF Treasurer.

Campbell, a major shareholder in the Club Bath Chain, pleaded guilty to conspiracy charges resulting from Toronto's 1981 bath raids. The guilty plea was a shock to the city's gay community and Campbell's co-accused.

"Campbell's actions have done irreparable damage to our struggle in Canada," said RTPC's Graham Crawford. The guilty plea was used by police to justify the raids and was cited in the Commons justice committee as a reason not to appeal the bawdyhouse laws.

When a November 9th letter to the NGTF wasn't answered, the RTPC sent a press release to the American gay press calling for Campbell's resignation. In an article in San Francisco's Bay Area Reporter Campbell didn't deal with the substance of the charges from the RTPC and TBP. He attacked the RTPC for "air expressing around the world hit pieces on myself."

NGTF co-chair Jose Gomez told a New York gay radio program station WBAI he didn't think the issue merited an emergancy board meeting and wouldn't be discussed until the end of April. Gomez told Chicago Gay Life he would recommend no action be taken against Campbell because he was "exercising his legitimate right to plea bargain." The NGTF has still not responded to the RTPC complaint.

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